# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION
# LOK SABHA

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LOANS TO HILLY STATES
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**Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Union Government have received proposals from the Government of Himachal Pradesh for providing loan on easy terms for Housing purpose in the hilly States;

(b) if so, the decision taken by the Union Government thereon;

(c) whether the Union Government have received any proposal to enhance the house building amount from Rs.45 thousand to Rs.75 thousand under Valmiki Ambedkar Awas Yojana by the State Government; and

(d) if so, the action taken by the Union Government thereon?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION ( SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA )

(a)&(b): Housing is a State subject. Government of India acts only as a facilitator and not as a provider. However, Housing & Urban Development Corporation Ltd. (HUDCO), apublic sector enterprise under this Ministry, provides housing finance to various State agencies for housing schemes on demand driven approach. State agencies submit project proposals for financial assistance from HUDCO. In Himachal Pradesh, the schemes/loan sanctioned (upto 31.10.2003) under various schemes are as under:-

(i) TWO MILLION HOUSING PROGRAMME:

Schemes Sanctioned .... 151

Loan sanctioned .... Rs. 216 crore

(ii) INDIVIDUAL HOUSING UNDER HUDCO NIWAS:
Number of application approved ..... 7541

Loan Sanctioned ..... Rs. 281 crore

(iii) In addition to above, 74,665 residential dwelling units under various categories have been sanctioned in Himachal Pradesh (upto 31.10.2003). At present one housing scheme for construction of 126 dwelling units at Kandaghat seeking loan assistance of Rs.618.41 lakh has been received by HUDCO from the State Government of Himachal Pradesh. The same is under various stages of processing as per HUDCO`s guidelines.

(c)&(d): No proposal has been received from the State Government to enhance the dwelling unit cost under Valmiki Ambedkar Awas Yojana.